

2021 CSPN STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Board – Michael Frerichs (IL), Chair and Rachel Biar (NE), Vice-Chair
Meets first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm ET

Communications Committee – Anita Kelley (AL) & Lael Oldmixon (AK), Co-Chairs
Facilitates external and media communications, nationally promotes 529 Day and College Savings Month, coordinates website revision, and oversees the 529 Campaign. Meets the third Thursday of each month at 3:00 pm ET

Corporate Affiliate Advisory Board – Shirley Yang, TIAA, Chair & Andrea Feirstein, AKF Consulting, Vice-Chair. Provides a forum for NAST corporate affiliates to participate in CSPN initiatives and committees. Meets as needed.

Federal Initiatives – Mary Morris (VA) Chair & LaKeshia Page (TN) Vice-Chair. Identifies and prioritizes federal legislation and regulatory initiatives, and works closely with Williams & Jensen, NAST's national lobbying firm. Meets on the first Monday of each month at 3:00 pm ET.

Legal & State Affairs Committee – Mary Anne Busse, Great Disclosure, Chair & Julia Hoke (NC), Vice-Chair. Reviews and monitors legal and state issues, and reviews disclosure principals and other legal documents. Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm ET.

Member Engagement: Rachel Biar (NE) Chair & Heather Chisholm, Intuition CSS, Vice-Chair. Develops strategies to actively engage members, promotes value of CSPN members, and oversees development of the conference program for the annual Treasury Management Training Symposium. Meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:00 pm ET.

Prepaid Tuition / Guaranteed Savings Plans – Alisa Ferguson (VA) & Luke Minor, (WA), Co-Chairs. Discusses issues unique to prepaid plans and develops annual prepaid conference program. First meeting of 2021 is February 11 at 1 pm ET. Additional meetings for the remainder of the year will be scheduled as needed.

Much of the data sharing, business updates and planning of CSPN happens in our Committees. Calls are usually once a month, an hour or less, and focus on news and current topics affecting our 529 plans and community. Both state agency and corporate affiliate members are welcome to participate or listen in. Share your expertise with others, expand your knowledge in a new area, and help shape the future of 529. The calls are also a great way to meet people to add to your professional network. You can participate in more than one — many of us do! Contact [Chris Hunter](#) for more information or to learn how you can join one of the committees.